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**News of Interest  
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SPEIDEL LAW FIRM**



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As 2015 draws to a close, we want to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for your confidence and trust in Speidel Law Firm. We are grateful for the opportunities we have had to work with you this year.

In 2015, Martindale-Hubbell again named **Speidel Law Firm** to its Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers. This honor is given to no more than five percent of firms in the U.S. and Canada who have achieved the highest rating by their peers in regards to ethical standards and legal ability. This is a compliment to our firm as a whole, and a credit to all of our personnel.

Attorney **Russell J. Speidel** met regularly with the Washington Fellows of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, the premier national professional association for attorneys who practice in this area of law. He also repeated as a Super Lawyer, one of the top five percent in the state, according to the magazine, *Washington Law & Politics*. In addition, Mr. Speidel serves on the statewide board of directors of Northwest Justice Project. He gives back to our local community by serving on the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, Wenatchee Corps.

Attorney **David J. Bentsen** continues to focus his service to our clients in the areas of Real Estate, Tax Planning, Estate Planning and Elder Law. David is a leader in our community as well, serving as Treasurer of the Board of Directors of Chelan-Douglas County Volunteer Attorney Services and as Secretary of the Board of the Wenatchee Row and Paddle Club, for which he also coaches the Masters Competitive Rowing Team.

In July, Firm Administrator **Jean Speidel** was appointed by the Wenatchee City Council to chair an ad hoc citizens committee exploring whether to change from electing our Council members on an at-large basis to electing them by districts. Both of our legal assistants achieved academic milestones in 2015: **Danielle Thueringer** graduated from the University of Washington in June and **Tawnya Petry** is graduating from Central Washington University in December.

Thank you again for the privilege of serving you this year. We feel truly honored to know you as our clients, friends and colleagues.

**Best Wishes for a Wonderful Holiday Season and a very Happy New Year!**